

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR COMPUTER TRAINING

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received some proposals from State Governments for grant of funds for introduction of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in schools;
- (b) if so, the details and present status thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the details of funds allocated for computer training and literacy particularly in rural areas of the country during the last three years, till date, State-wise;
- (d) whether funds allocated for the purpose are not being utilised by the concerned departments;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI):

(a) and (b) This Department has launched a new scheme of 'information and Communication Technology (ICT) @ Schools' during 2004-05. The scheme of ICT @ School has been circulated to all the State Governments/UTs requesting them to formulate computer Education Plans for their State/UT and forward to this Department. So far, this Department has received eight proposals for financial assistance under the ICT @ Schools Scheme from the States of Madhya Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Goa, West Bengal, Haryana, Nagaland and the Union Territories of Daman & Diu and Lakshadweep. The proposals are being examined and funds would be provided to the States/UTs on the basis of recommendations of the Project Monitoring & Evaluation Group (PM & EG) headed by Secretary (S&HE).

(c) The details of funds allocated to various States/ UTs during the last three years are enclosed as Statement.

(d) to (f) No report of non-utilisation of funds for the purpose for which funds are allocated has been received in the Ministry. Out of 6 States to whom financial assistance was released during 2002-03, full utilisation have been reported by West Bengal and Goa. The Government of Sikkim has shown an unspent balance of Rs. 2,90,000 lying with them. The utilisation certificates have not been received from the Government of Tamil Nadu, Haryana and Chhattisgarh so far.

Statement

The Details of Funds Released to States/UTs for Computer Education during the last three years

Sl.No.	State	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
1.	West Bengal	Rs. 4,69,84,125		
2.	Chhattisgarh	Rs. 2,50,00,000		
3.	Goa	Rs. 1,25,00,000	No financial	

4. Sikkim Rs. 72,50,000 assistance was
5. Tamil Nadu Rs. 72,65,875 released to the
6. Haryana Rs. 39,30,000 State during 2003-04
- 7 Karnataka " Rs.3,89,52,500
8. Andhra Pradesh _ Rs.5,27,59,375